IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In the **PATENT APPLICATION** of:

Eichen et al.

Application No.: 09/674,090

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For: DETECTION OF A TARGET IN A SAMPLE BY MEASURING CONDUCTANCE

OF A SUBSTANCE GROWN FROM NUCLEATION CENTER-FORMING

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Group: 1637

Examiner: Young J. Kim

Our File: RCP-PT009

Date: January 22, 2008

REPLY PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. §1.111

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Sir:

This Reply responds Office Action dated September 19, 2007 and is filed with an appropriate petition for extension of time.

Please amend the application without prejudice or disclaimer as follows: